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Workforce Development Policy Committee Meeting Minutes – June 20, 2023

Committee Members: Hope Morrow, Lori Barber, Sean Coletti, Christi Gilchrist, ~~Jason Hudson~~, Tom Kealey, Clay Long, Daniel Puga, Jani Revier, ~~Tom Schultz~~, John Smith

Staff: Sherawn Reberry, Wendi Secrist, Rebecca Watson, Denise Hill, Cassie Mansour, Stacey James, Thomas Morrison, Jamie Liberty (WDC intern)

Guests: Travis Jones with Riley Stegner & Associates, Alyssa Romero with Lobby Idaho, Abbey Delmas with Benn Brocksome and Associates

Call to Order at 2:00PM

Roll Call – Quorum met.

***Review May 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Ms. Jani Revier to approve Meeting Minutes as written. Second by Lori Barber.

Proposed adjustment to minutes to strike the word “annual” with regards to growth rate for annual In-Demand Career openings.

Amended motion by Ms. Jani Revier to approve May 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes as amended with strikeout. Second by Lori Barber. Motion carried.

***Launch Rubric Approval**

Dr. Reberry presented the updated Rubric.
File Posted – “New Launch Rubric June 2023”

Motion by Lori Barber to approve the Launch Rubric as presented. Second by Christie Gilchrist. Motion carried.

***Launch Course Approvals**

Dr. Reberry presented courses pending approval.
Discussion:

- Discussion ensued regarding certificates – certificates are not always aligned to a for-credit program.
- Explanation and review – “Idaho Launch All Pending Courses June 2023” file posted.
 - Green – approved.
 - Yellow – more information needed.
 - 1140 – 1144, 1146 – 1148 – is certificate necessary for IT career

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- 1158 – can it be bundled
- 1159/1160 – can this really be done online
- 1176/ 1177 – approved but combine
- 1178 – check cost & hours
- Red – declined.
 - 1135 - No exam prep classes
- Committee discussed having the Workforce Training Centers work together to align Ed2Go course offerings.

Motion by Ms. Jani Revier to approve Launch Course List, approving items in green and requesting follow up by WDC Staff for those highlighted in yellow. 1 item highlighted in red to be declined. Second by Mr. Dan Puga. Ms. Lori Barber abstained. Motion carried.

****Launch Course Cost Adjustments***

Dr. Reberry presented additional price changes for approval. File posted.

Motion by Ms. Lori Barber to approve Launch Course Cost Increases. Second by Ms. Jani Revier. Motion carried.

Semiconductor Related Investments

Ms. Secrist shared the Governor's priority of Semiconductor Investments and how it will impact Idaho Launch. She shared that the need for welding training, mechatronics, engineering technicians, and other types of training will be very high.

Discussion:

- The Committee requested more time to flesh out this list more thoroughly. This list was provided by the institutions, so we will go back to them with more questions.

Share Launch Provider Approvals

Dr. Reberry presented the updated list of approved providers; there is only one being added at this time, there are several in the process of applying to become Launch providers.

Discussion on Future Policy Considerations

Ms. Morrow asked Ms. Secrist for updates.

Ms. Secrist shared that the in-demand career filters must now be translated to education/training programs to determine what will be eligible for Launch funding.

The Committee discussed the CIP to SOC crosswalk and reviewed various scenarios, including the use of OR vs. AND in the policy. Additional analysis will be required prior to revisiting this topic next month.

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Ms. Secrist shared that due to the specificity of WIOA, we are giving the ETP policy to the One-Stop Committee.

Ms. Morrow shared the following for future policy considerations:

- Extensions / Extenuating circumstances
- Appeals
- Prioritization (The legislation requires us to consider two things: In-demand careers and financial need.)
- Refunds
- Reapplication

The Committee agreed that this level of policy building might require another in-person Policy Committee meeting. They agreed that last month's meeting was very effective.

Motion by Mr. Dan Puga to adjourn Second by Jani Revier. Motion carried.
Adjourned at 3:20 PM